



Mole Valley Orienteering Club

(affiliated to British Orienteering)

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EPSOM DOWNS REGIONAL EVENT

22nd October 2017

Mole Valley Orienteering Club welcomes you to the home of the Derby which has not been used for orienteering for over a decade and has been newly remapped.

Event centre: The event centre is in a designated car park GR TQ224585, very close to the racecourse and 700m east of the grandstand; nearest postcode KT18 5PP. Epsom Downs is well signposted from every direction. From the south the signs will bring you out facing the race course. Turn right and the event centre is 250 metres further on the left. From the north the signs will bring you out by the grandstand. Turn left, signposted Tadworth, and the roundabout by the car park is 700 metres. There is a café very close to the carpark and toilets about 200 metres away. The nearest station is not surprisingly Tattenham Corner about 300 metres away.

Registration: Entry is via Fabian <http://www.fabian4.co.uk/default.aspx?EventID=1850>.

Fees: Seniors: Up to Sunday October 15th (note the short time window), £8 plus £2 if not BOF. Up to Wednesday October 18th, £10 plus £2 if not BOF. Entry on the day from 10.00 to 11.30, subject to map availability and £11 plus £2 if not BOF. Juniors, families and short courses (orange and shorter), £3. No late surcharge but please enter as early as possible. SI dibbers available for hire from registration for £1. Car park included in prices.

Map and terrain. Epsom Downs consists of wide open grass areas with magnificent views over London, plus pockets of woodland with intricate path networks which have been mapped in great detail by Philip Gristwood. Due to a general lack of complex contour detail, the area does not permit technical difficulty of more than 4 so the longer courses will be designated as 'light', nevertheless the pockets of woodland, where most of the controls will be placed, still provide considerable challenge. There are no very steep gradients. Wear clothing suitable for running or walking in woodland and full leg cover is recommended.

Courses: Light Short Brown (8.5k), Light Blue (7k), Light Long Green (5k), Light Short Green (4k), Orange (3k), Yellow (2.5k), White (1.5k).

Starts: Starts from 10.30 am until 12.30. Courses close at 14.00. The start will be 700 metres from registration but the short courses might be closer. The finish will be close to registration.

Safety: The nearest hospital is Epsom Hospital. Full details will be at the event centre. In accordance with BOF policy on ash dieback disease, please ensure all kit is clean.

Courtesy to others: The prime purpose of Epsom Downs is to exercise race horses but this will have ceased by the time our event starts. However the area is very popular with local walkers, dog walkers and ordinary horse riders. They must be shown courtesy and in particular horses have absolute priority and must be given a wide berth.

Dogs: Dogs are allowed but must be kept under close control and must not be allowed near horses.'

Event Officials: Organiser: Bill Alexander, alexbill@btinternet.com , Planner: Tony Schofield, Controller: Charlie Turner (SLOW)

Acknowledgments: Epsom Downs is controlled by the Epsom and Walton Downs Conservators and they have granted permission for the use of the area.

Last minute changes and Fabian opening: Please check on the MV website www.mvoc.org

Results: Will be available on the MV Web site as soon as possible after the event www.mvoc.org.

You are responsible for your own safety and you take part in this event at your own risk. British Orienteering 3rd Party insurance does not cover any non-member of a British Orienteering affiliated orienteering club at this event if that person has taken part in three or more British Orienteering registered events.